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In re application of:

Kenji Sano, et al.

Application No.: 09/835,296

Filed: April 12, 2001

For: DEVICE AND METHOD FOR  
DISTRIBUTING PROGRAM  
INFORMATION AND TERMINAL  
AND DEVICE RELATING TO THE  
SAME

Examiner: Unassigned

Art Unit: 2643

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-referenced application, please enter the following amendments and remarks.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Page 1, lines 11-12, please amend the paragraph as follows:

This application is related to and claims priority from Japanese Patent Application No. 2000-154362, filed on May 22, 2000.

REMARKS

The specification has been amended to correct informalities. No new matter has been introduced.

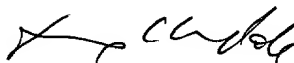
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CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing, Applicants believe all claims now pending in this Application are in condition for allowance. The issuance of a formal Notice of Allowance at an early date is respectfully requested.

If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of this application, please telephone the undersigned at 650-326-2400.

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